

House Resolution 1962

By: Representatives Ashe of the 56th, Oliver of the 83rd, Gardner of the 57th, Levitas of the 82nd, Jacobs of the 80th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mark and Judith Taylor; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mark and Judith Taylor have continued their families' longstanding tradition
3 of social activism and philanthropy, following the example set by their parents, Herbert and
4 Esther K. Taylor and Sidney and Sylvia E. Grossman; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor earned degrees from Cornell University and the Georgia Institute
6 of Technology and has spent most of his professional career in the design, construction, and
7 management of residential, commercial, and industrial real estate; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Taylor earned a bachelor's degree from Brandeis University, where she
9 was a member of the fifth graduating class and became deeply involved in a number of
10 Jewish, women's, and children's organizations, including the American Jewish Federation,
11 the Atlanta-Fulton League of Women Voters, the Atlanta Judicial Commission, and the
12 Council for Children; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor's mother, Esther, was the founder of Planned Parenthood of Georgia,
14 and both Mr. and Mrs. Taylor remain ardent supporters of the organization today; and

15 WHEREAS, the Taylors are avid collectors of contemporary art, and Mr. Taylor is an active
16 member of Theater Atlanta, serves on the boards of the Atlanta Opera and the High Museum,
17 and serves as a long-time board member and chairman of the Piedmont Arts Festival; and

18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Taylor campaigned on behalf of the first female members of the Atlanta
19 City Council and helped found the board of Vote Choice, a Georgia Political Action
20 Committee (PAC) and the first women's PAC devoted to supporting Pro-choice Georgia
21 legislators; and

22 WHEREAS, the Taylors have been united in love and marriage since 1957 and have been
23 blessed with three remarkable children, Chuck, Kenneth, and Elaine Taylor-Klaus, and eight
24 wonderful grandchildren; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
26 this distinguished Georgia couple be appropriately recognized.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body commend Mark and Judith Taylor on their dedicated service to
29 their community and this state and recognize the amazing impact their service and
30 philanthropy has had upon others.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.